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Sunday, November 28, 2004

Thomas Adès

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Tristan Keuris

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Sunday, March 6, 2005

Denys Bouliane

Snow is White but Water is Black

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Alexina Louie

The Death of Seigen (excerpt from the opera *The Scarlet Princess*)

O Magnum Mysterium: In Memoriam Glenn Gould (John Rea arrangement)

Alex Pauk

Harp Concerto

GUEST ARTISTS:

Denys Bouliane, guest conductor / Erica Goodman, harp

Colleen Skull, soprano / David Pomeroy, tenor

Thursday, May 26, 2005

Chris Paul Harman *Concerto for Cello and Orchestra*

Paul Frehner *Sanctuary*

Profanity

Scott Wilson *Four Names of Beauty*

Gyula Bánkövi *Accord(ion) Concerto*

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EXPLORE Esprit's season begins and ends with World Premieres of pieces by many of Canada's most esteemed composers. Our October concert, along with music by Pärt and Schafer, includes a fantastic and little-known Somers work that we'll record for a new Somers CD. As well, we'll play music from our most successful CD to date – *Tabuh-Tabuhan*. Brilliant works for large orchestra form an entire concert of Canadian Premieres in November. These pieces, by Adès (ENGLAND), Brant (U.S.A.) and Keuris (THE NETHERLANDS), encompass the broadest spectrum of colour, form and atmosphere found in contemporary music. Artistic directors from the Société de musique contemporaine du Québec

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